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## Of Special Interest This Week

+ Through the persistent intervention and assistance of the U.S. Ambassador, formal approval was finally received from the Panamanian Government authorizing activation of FBIS' INTERNET facility in Panama. Satellite testing and verification procedures are now required to certify the facility for INTELSAT operations. Initial operations should begin toward the end of May, at which point Panama Bureau will join London Bureau in feeding foreign TV programs in real time via FBIS' INTERNET system. To preclude any possible copyright/proprietary difficulties, INTERNET relays are now being scrambled to prevent interception by unauthorized individuals.

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